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of Torsemide and Related
Intermediates
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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION
OF NOVEMBER 14, 2005
AMENDMENTS AND REMARKS

March 13, 2006

The Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the outstanding Official Action dated November 14, 2005 and due for response February 14, 2006, Applicant encloses a Request for a one month extension of time making this response due **March 14, 2006**. The Examiner is hereby authorized to withdraw the fee for a large entity of \$120.00 U.S. funds from Deposit Account 08-3255 in the name of Ivor M. Hughes. If there is any deficiency or over-payment of the fees authorized for withdrawal for the Extension of Time, please obtain any such deficiency or credit the over-payment to Deposit Account 08-3255 and advise Applicants' Agent.